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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM(S)**  
**IN A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION AND CORRECTION OF DRAWING**

Sir:

This paper is submitted in Response to the Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Nonprovisional Application Filed Under 37 CFR 1.53(b) mailed on February 23, 2004, which set a two month statutory shortened period of response extending through and including April 23, 2004.

The Notice of Omitted Item(s) asserts that Fig. **15b** described in the specification was omitted from the application papers filed on November 25, 2003. The specification describes "[s]lots 132 . . . disposed perpendicular to the relative motion of catheter 2, as shown in Fig. 15b." If one looks at the formal drawing of the sheet containing Fig. **15** submitted with the application papers, the subject matter of Fig. **15b**, *i.e.* slots 132 disposed perpendicular to the relative motion of the catheter, is shown in the bottom-left drawing of the formal drawing for